Rocks

Rocks, Sept. 5.- Children were excited and thrilled as they started another year of school work on Sept. 1.

Misses Ruth and Catherine Ranson have returned home after accompanying Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Roach and family to Stuart for a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Ranson spent a week-end recently with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Thompson, of Waynesboro.

Mrs. M. H. Marks and daughter, Elsie returned home last week after spending some time in Kingsport, Tenn., with Mr. and Mrs. Strode Burks.

Miss Gertrude Ranson and Mrs. Mildred Inge are on the sick list.

A small crowd attended the baptizing for the 3 churches at Hunter Martin's pond last Sunday afternoon.

The Rocks Home Demonstration Club held its September meeting with Mrs. Edward Ranson Thursday night.

Mrs. Mary Inge has returned home after spending a few days with her son, Holmsey Inge, Jr. and his family at Appomattox.

Emmett Dinkins, of Washington, spent the week-end here with his mother, Mrs. Kate Dinkins, and aunt, Miss Gertrude Ranson.

Lewis and Clyde Harris, of the U. S. Navy, of Norfolk spent the week-end here.

Rocks Baptist Church was a scene of a Candlelight Wedding on Friday night, Sept. 2, at 8 o'clock, when the Rev. W. H. Elder, pastor of the church, performed the wedding ceremony of Miss Ruby Jane Richardson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Richardson, of Pamplin, to Joseph Lacy Almond, son of Mrs. Jennie Almond and the late L. K. Almond, of Pamplin. After a trip to The Smkoies, the couple will live near Pamplin.

Quite a few from here attended the Dickerson reunion Sunday at the American Legion Hall at Appomattox.

Audrey Dale Inge spent Saturday night and Sunday at Evergreen with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Melvin Garrett.

Mrs. Jim Frank Ranson and Catherine spent Saturday night with the former's mother, Mrs. T. A. Foster, of near Darlington Heights, who returned home Saturday after a long stay in the Southside Hospital.

STORING HIGH MOISTURE CORN ADVISABLE ON SOME FARMS

Farmers who have high-moisture corn (25 to 40 percent) which is too wet for safe cribbing might do well to consider storing it in a silo.

Specialists at VPI list several advantages for this practice: It permits early harvest of corn without the added expense of artificial drying. Early harvest reduces field loss, dropped ears and shelling. Early harvest also permits greater use of corn stalks, since stalks can be made into stover silage or pastured before snow or frost damage. Grain does not need further processing before being fed to livestock.

Weight gains made on high-moisture corn are as efficient, or more efficient, than those made on dry corn. Later maturing strains of corn can be planted, usually increasing the yield. Further, storing corn in the silo is low-cost storage compared to mechanical drying and storing dry corn. And it reduces weather risks.

However, there are disadvantages. Grain has limited uses. It cannot be put under government loan, and is hard to market. It cannot be satisfactorily self-fed, through conventional self-feeders — a major drawback with hogs.

Farmers who store high-moisture corn will need either a cement stave, tile block, galvanized steel, or "glass-lined" air-tight type silo. Correct moisture content in less critical with the air-tight, "glass-lined" silo. Stave or block silos must be properly reinforce and the doors made air tight. Cost per bushel is obut 60 percent less in the conventional silos as compared to the glass-lined type.

The Iowa Agricultural Experiment Station has successfully stored 26 to 34 percent misture corn in the glass-lined silo. From 30 to 35 percent moisture ear corn run through an ensilage cutter has been stored successfully in conventional and temporary silos. Many farmers report successful storage at a 20 to 30 percent moisture level.

How should the corn be processed? the specialists say to grind ear corn. Shelled corn may be cracked or whole. Cracked shelled corn will pack more firmly. Ground corn may give better feeding efficiency.

If water needs to be added ground corn may give better feeding efficiency.

If water needs to be added, ground ear or ground shelled grain will more readily pick up the moisture. If too much water is added, it may settle to the bottom of the silo, and lower the quality of the grain.

Further details on storing high moisture corn are available from county agents.

FERTILIZING LATE SUMMER ALFALFA SEEDLINGS OUTLINED

The shift in recommendations for alfalfa weevil control has prompted a flood of questions about fertilization of late summer alfalfa seedings, say specialists at VPI.

The specialists have outlined two methods:

Put down in the usual manner all the required amount of fertilizer with borax (no heptachlor) at time of planting. After the stand is up and established — about October 1, but not later than October 15 — use 2½ percent granular heptachlor at the rate of 30 to 40 pounds per acre. The method of spreading the granules will depend on the equipment available. Use an accurately calibrated fertilizer distributor or a cyclone seeder adjusted to apply the correct amount.

Or, if you want to use the heptachlor-fertilizer mixture, apply one-half to two-thirds of the fertilizer (containing no heptachlor) normally used at seeding time. About October 1, but not later than October 15, top-dress with 800 to 1000 pounds of 0-10-20, 0-9-27, or 0-14-14 with heptchlor, or 500 pounds of 0-18-36 or 0-25-25 containing heptachlor.

Be sure to apply the correct amount of heptachlor. The specialists say it is just as important to avoid using too much heptchlor as it is to control the weevil. Be sure to use equipment that is calibrated accurately, and to apply within the specified time limits.

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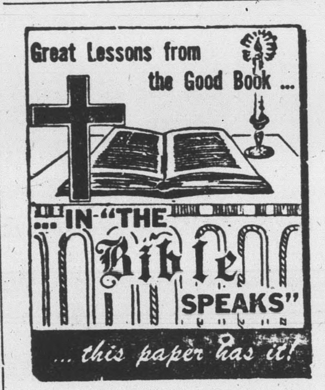

Farm News

Reminder-!! Gas tax refund deadline is September 30th. Form for applying for Federal tax refund is available from this office.

Research entomologists think that heptachlor applied to alfalfa as soon after last cutting as possible would be somewhat more effective than later application. However, under no condition should more than the recommended amount be applied, nor more than one treatment, and certainly not later than October 15.

Of the 39 billion acres that compose the earth's surface, only 2½ to 3 billion acres are now being cultivated. About a fourth of this is in the United States, the USSR, India and China. The question is often raised as to how much new cropland can be added to what already exists. The estimates range from 1 billion to nearly 8 billion additional acres.

The University of Minnesota showed that calves fed grain meal and long hay did better than those on complete pelleted starter rations. The calves on long hay and a "simple" grain starter gained 65 pounds from the time the trial started at 3 days of age until they were 84 days old. Calves fed a pelleted ration of 40% alfalfa meal and 60% grain, gained 48 pounds during the trial.

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Mrs. Lee Smith and children ... Baltimore, Maryland, are ... friends and relatives here.

... Union of Hollywood ... Church will have a social ... Sept. 10, at Woodson's ...

... and Mrs. David Austin visited ... the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bert ... and Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Frank... Sunday.

... from here attended the funeral of Mrs. Henry Perdieu on Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. R. G. Austin visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. E. Woodson and Mr. and Mrs. Bert Joley Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Franklin visited Mrs. C. E. Franklin, Sr. Sunday afternoon. Mrs. Florrine White spent the week-end in the same home

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goin have moved back into their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jenkins visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Austin Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Goin visited Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jenkims Sunday evening.

Mrs. C. E. Franklin and Mrs. Joe Goin visited Mr. and Mrs. Willie Brown awhile Monday evening.

County Line

County Line, Sept. 6.- People in this section are very busy saving the tobacco crop.

Week-end visitors of Mr. and Mrs. Everette Ferguson were Mr. and Mrs. Walter Ferguson and Mr. and Mrs. Curtis Martin, all of Richmond, and Mrs. Leonard Cawthorn.

Mrs. Marcus Britton, of Brookneal visited her mother, Mrs. Dan Irby last Tuesday. They visited Mr. Redd Elder Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Elder was on the sick list.

Relatives from Pennsylvania visited Miss Emma Haar recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Mann, of Lynchburg spent the week-end with home people.

Mr. and Mrs. Carter and family, of Richmond, and Mr. and Mrs. Shirley Reynolds and family, of Farmville visited Mr. and Mrs. Otey Jones Sunday.

Miss Margie Mayberry, of Richmond, spent the week-end with her aunt, Mrs. Arthur Mullin.

Sunday visitors of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Waller were Miss Ann Waller and Miss Barbara Wilham, of Richmond; Mr. Bob Page, of Farmville, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Anderson and family, of Long Island, N. Y.

Donald Anderson, who spent the summer with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Waller returned home with his parents.

Miss Ann Waller is to undergo an operation in a Richmond hospital on Wednesday. We wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Waller visited his brother-in-law, Mr. Granville Mason in the Baptist Hospital Friday night.

Mrs. J. W. Waller has returned to her duties at Memorial Hospital, after being off for several months.

Mr. and Mrs. Victor Jones, of Newport News visited in the home of Vernie Jones Sunday P. M.

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